

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Chief Warrant Officer Four Gary Marvin Ericsson's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Chief Warrant Officer Ericsson has devoted more than 39 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a leader in the Maintenance Field, including service throughout the state of South Dakota and active duty service in Fort Carson, as well as training in Germany and Panama for the South Dakota Army National Guard; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Chief Warrant Officer Ericsson continues to give of himself; and,

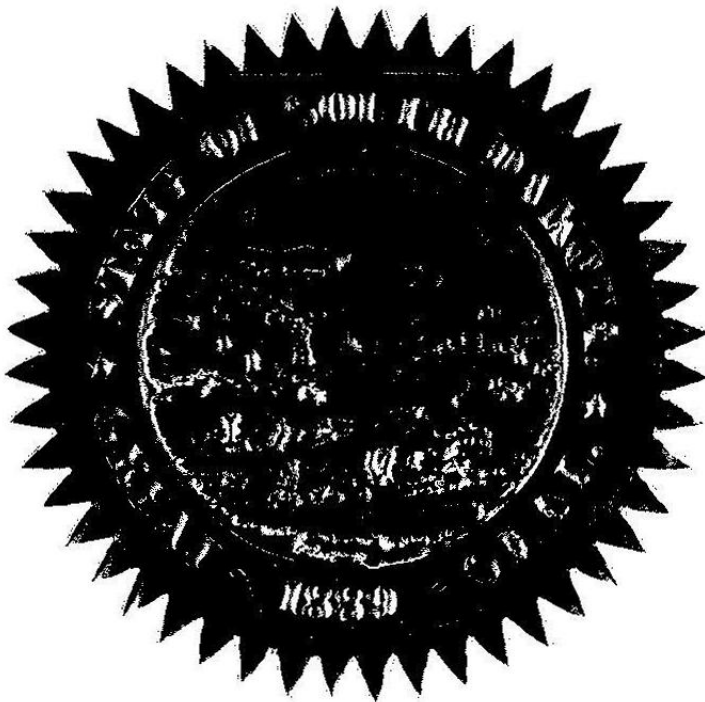
Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Chief Warrant Officer Ericsson for more than 39 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim December 1, 2005, as

CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER FOUR GARY MARVIN ERICSSON DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Tenth Day of November in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.



M. Michael Rounds

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Ch. Nelson

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State